

REMARKS

Claims 11-14 are added. The claims in the application upon entry of the amendment will be 1-14.

Claim 11 finds basis in the disclosure as follows:

R^2 is lower alkyl, at page 2, line 30.

R^3 is a hydrogen, halogen, lower alkyl or nitro, at page 2, line 31.

R^4 , as written, finds basis at page 2, line 32.

R^6 , as written, finds basis in the definition of R^6 at page 11, line 30 over page 11, line 4, where, however, “protected carboxy” appears rather than “lower alkoxy carboxyl.” However, at page 10, line 17, “protected carboxy” is disclosed as being preferably “esterified carboxy”, and at page 10, line 20 and following “lower alkyl esters,” referring to “esterified carboxy,” lines 15 and 19.

L , recited in Claim 11, corresponds to the disclosure relating to the L as disclosed at page 3, lines 3 to 6, omitting the “single bond” alternative. The “-X-CH₂-” alternatives are written out in Claim 11.

The Cl- R^6 -substituted benzyl moiety is disclosed generally in the formula (IA) page 11.

As for Claim 12, chlorine is preferred for R^3 , page 12, line 32 and ethylene for L , page 12, line 40.

In regards to Claim 13, the definition of R^6 finds basis at page 11, line 30 over to page 12, being alternatives (7) and (8), with “aryl” restricted to the preferred “phenyl”, page 6, lines 34 to 38. The “optionally” adverbial modifier finds basis at page 2, in the definition of R^1 , substituent alternatives (7) and (8).

Claim 14 is directed to the production method disclosed at page 3, line 5 over to page 4, line 4, referring back to formula (I).

The specification and Claims 1 and 4 are amended to clarify the definition of the group R¹ in regards to the number of the permissible substituents on R¹.

The amendment in effect replaces the phrase "a substituent" with substituent(s)" to indicate clearly that more than one substituent may be present on R¹.

Basis for the amendment appears in the general language in the specification, the paragraph at page 11, line 18:

When the above-mentioned substituents are substituted, the number of substituents is preferably 1 to 4, unless particularly specified.

Further basis appears in the last two lines on page 6 and in the test compound A, at page 19, lines 35 and 36, in which R¹-A- is 2-chloro-4-phenyl benzyl. In that grouping, there are two substituents on the phenyl group, which is a representative of R¹, in the benzyl group. The substituents are 2-chloro and 4-phenyl.

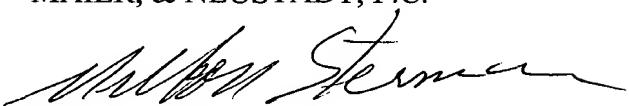
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